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The Honorable William C. Foster
Director, U.S. Arms Control and
Disarmament Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Bill:

You will recall that on April 17 we met and discussed a number of matters of mutual concern to the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and the intelligence community. Subsequently we exchanged letters on the points covered. I would like now to take up a matter on which we did not then reach a meeting of the minds, in the light of experience since that time.

In my letter of April 29, I advised you that I was appointing a liaison officer to serve as the point of contact between ACDA and the intelligence community. This officer was to be set up in the Central Intelligence Agency and was to be authorized to call upon all members of the community, as well as the divisions and departments of CIA, as necessary, to meet your requirements. Your letter of May 20 stated that you preferred to use the Director of Intelligence and Research as a channel of contact with the community, except in the case of CIA and DIA, where my representative would be utilized.

I recognize that you have a special relationship with the Bureau of Intelligence and Research, and do not wish my representative to interpose himself in matters involving only ACDA and INR. Also, INR remains in the best position to represent you before the United States Intelligence Board and its committees. Therefore, I now believe it would be more appropriate to designate a CIA officer to serve as liaison officer between ACDA and CIA only. He will, of course, be helpful in any practicable way in providing a channel to the intelligence community as a whole, but if you feel your best interests would be served by having direct liaison with DIA as well as INR, I have no objection to the establishment of such a relationship.

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I recognize that adequate intelligence support is of great importance to ACDA, and the community is desirous of affording ACDA all possible cooperation. The officer being assigned as CIA Representative for Disarmament is [REDACTED] who has recently returned

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[REDACTED] He is authorized to call upon all components of CIA for appropriate assistance. He is attached to the Office of my Deputy Director (Intelligence), and is already in touch with ACDA. I trust this arrangement will be satisfactory to you.

Sincerely,

(Signed) JOHN A. McCONE

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Director

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